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ROME FOR FODAG, PARIS FOR HELMAN

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SUBJECT: PROTECTION/MOVEMENT OF FOOD-TRANSHIPMENT
FLEXIBILITY

1. USG, AT FAO/OSRO MEET 6/18-19, PROPOSED A SPECIAL CONTRIBUTION TO THE SAHEL TRUST FUND WHICH COULD BE USED BY OSRO TO MOVE ANY GRAIN BOUND FOR MALI, REGARDLESS OF SOURCE, COMMERCIAL OR DONOR, IN DANGER OF SPOILING OR DELAYED DELIVERY, FROM THE PORT OF DAKAR TO AN ALTERNATE, LESS CONGESTED, TRANSHIPMENT POINT.
2. ALTHOUGH OTHER DONORS PRESENT AT ROME SESSIONS DID NOT PICK UP ON US SUGGESTION, WE CONTINUE TO FEEL IDEA HAS MERIT, NOT ONLY FOR DAKAR-MALI, BUT OTHER SITUATIONS AS WELL WHERE EXTRAORDINARY ACTION MIGHT BE REQUIRED TO ASSURE DELIVERY (I.E., ABIDJAN-GHANA OR COTONOU-NIGERIA), OR PROTECTION (I.E. TEMPORARY STORAGE).
3. IT SEEMS CLEAR THAT MOST DONORS DO NOT PROVIDE SUFFICIENT FLEXIBILITY IN THEIR SHIPPING/FORWARDING ARRANGEMENTS TO PERMIT TIMELY ADJUSTMENTS WHEN CIRCUMSTANCES DICTATE. EACH MINOR PROPOSAL APPEARS TO REPRESENT DE NOVO ADMINISTRATIVE/POLICY CONSIDERATIONS WITH CORRESPONDING DELAYS. IT IS OUR FEELING THAT, WITH SPECIFIC DONOR AUTHORITY AND FUNDING TO ACT, OSRO COULD EFFECTIVELY COORDINATE EXTRAORDINARY MEASURES SUCH AS DETAILED PARA 1 AND 2, ABOVE.
4. ACTION REQUESTED: A) OUAGADOUGOU, ROME: RECOMMEND THIS SUBJECT BE INCLUDED IN AGENDA FOR DISCUSSION COTONOU/DAKAR MEETINGS; B) FOR PARIS, BRUSSELS, BONN, LONDON, OTTAWA, THE HAGUE, STOCKHOLM: IF POSSIBLE, WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR UNCLASSIFIED

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OFFICE CALLING USG SUGGESTION TO THE ATTENTION OF DONOR REPRESENTATIVES, ESPECIALLY THOSE WHO MAY BE ATTENDING FIELD TRANSPORTATION SESSIONS. SISCO

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